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For : METHOD FOR STORAGE OF A CHANNEL FOR A
CONSUMER ELECTRONICS APPLIANCEPRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In the US national phase application of PCT/EP99/06478 filed
 herewith, please enter the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On Page 1, following the title, insert:

-- This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of
 International Application PCT/EP99/06478, filed September 3, 1999, which was
 published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on March 23, 2000 in English, and
 which claims the benefit of DE 19841298.3, filed September 10, 1998.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.(AMENDED) Method for storage of a channel in a consumer electronics
 appliance, which can be switched over between different channels, wherein the
 reception duration of a selected channel is determined, [characterized in that]
wherein, as soon as the reception duration of the selected channel exceeds a time
 interval [(ZE)], the selected channel is memorized as channel of interest that can be
 recalled by a dedicated command.